

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Dewald

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For:

ROD INTEGRATORS FOR LIGHT RECYCLING

**AMENDMENT** 

March 13, 2002

Washington, DC 20231

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Charles A. Brill

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Action mailed December 13, 2001, applicant amends as follows:

In the claims:

Please amend Claim 1 as follows:

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** 

1. (amended) An integrating rod comprised of:

an elongated body, said elongated body operable to reflect light traveling through said elongated body;

an entrance face on a first end of said elongated body; and

a mirrored entrance aperture at said entrance face, said mirrored entrance aperture having a transmissive entrance aperture portion and a mirrored portion, said mirrored entrance aperture allowing light to pass through the aperture thereof to enter the elongated body of said integrating rod, said mirrored entrance aperture operable to reflect light traveling through said elongated body to said entrance face that strikes said mirrored entrance aperture outside said transmissive entrance aperture portion.



